AGENDA: January 14, 2003

CATEGORY: Items Initiated by Council

DEPT.: City Council

TITLE: Creation of a Regular Youth

Services/Family Services Committee

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the following two recommendations of the Council Youth Ad Hoc Committee:

1. Refer to the Procedures Committee of the City Council the recommendation that it review the current Council Youth Ad Hoc Committee and consider making it a standing committee of the Council.

2. Recommend that the Youth Ad Hoc Committee, if made a standing committee, be renamed the Council Family Services Committee.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the approval of the above recommendations.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

At their November 27, 2002 meeting, the Council Youth Ad Hoc Committee voted to request the City Council Procedures Committee to review the Council Youth Ad Hoc Committee with a view to making it a standing committee of the Council. In that motion, the Committee also recommended that the name of the Committee be inclusive of families.

The Youth Ad Hoc Committee was established in August 1998. Since that time, the Committee has met, on average, seven times a year. The Youth Resources Manager currently staffs the Committee. A Youth Action Plan exists which requires annual updates and revisions requiring ongoing action on the part of this Committee.

The City Council made youth-related services one of its top goals for the current fiscal year. As one of its top goals and because of the frequency of the meetings, the Council Youth Ad Hoc Committee believes that a standing committee versus an ad hoc status is appropriate.

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